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Subject: Aquifer exemption proposal sent to US EPA

The California Department of Conservation and State Water Resources Control Board have submitted an aquifer exemption proposal to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the Dollie sands of the Pismo formation in the Arroyo Grande oil field in unincorporated San Luis Obispo County, near the intersection of Ormonde Road and Price Canyon Road. Approval of the proposal by the EPA would allow the expansion of wastewater injection in the field.

State officials concurred that the proposed aquifer exemption area meets the criteria for exemption under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act because the geologic formation proposed for exemption does not currently serve as a source of drinking water and will not in the future because it contains oil and/or natural gas; the injection of fluids will not affect the quality of water that is, or may reasonably be, used for any beneficial use; and the injected fluid will remain in the exempted aquifer.

More information about the EPA's process is available [here](#).